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| PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: | <b>Board of Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers (Committee Meeting)</b>                 |
| MEETING DATE AND TIME:  | <b>Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.</b>  |
| PLACE:                  | 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware<br><b>Conference Room B</b> second floor of the Cannon Building |
| MINUTES APPROVED        | 10/18/2011   |

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Illene Courtright, Professional Member, Chairperson  
Roberta Burtch, Professional Member (1:20 p.m. – 2:01 p.m.)  
Tonya Coats, Professional Member (1:15 p.m. – 1:49 p.m.)  
Valerie Cloutier, Public Member

**DIVISION STAFF**

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General  
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Courtright called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Committee reviewed the minutes from the July 13, 2011 meeting. Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion Regarding the Use of SLPAs**

Ms. Courtright reported on the ASHA Summit to the Committee. According to Ms. Courtright, some states already have created laws governing SLPA's. She also stated that if Delaware was interested, they could buy the SLPA exam from North Carolina and modify it for Delaware. Ms. Courtright also informed the Committee that online courses are available and an applicant can take their practicum in Delaware then sit for the exam.

The Committee continued to review the drafts of the statute as well as rules and regulations that Ms. Heeney and Ms. Courtright prepared. The Committee also reviewed the laws of Arkansas, Tennessee, California and North Carolina. They determined that North Carolina's laws would suit Delaware the best. Ms. Courtright and Ms. Heeney will draft new statutes and rules and regulations to reflect the information that North Carolina uses.

The Committee also reviewed documentation that Ms. Courtright circulated from California regarding a responsibility statement for supervisors of a SLPA. The Committee will continue to discuss the responsibility statement for Delaware.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

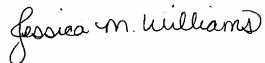
#### **Next Scheduled Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 8:30 a.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

#### **Adjournment**

Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Ms. Burtch, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica Williams  
Administrative Specialist II